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In re Application of Van Buuren et al.

Application No. 10/635,711 :

Decision on Petition

Filing Date: August 6, 2003

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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.181, filed June 6, 2006, to withdraw the holding of abandonment.

The petition is granted.

A final Office action was mailed October 4, 2005.

An amendment and a request for an extension of time were filed February 6, 2006. Petitioner has also established a Notice of Appeal was filed February 6, 2006.

Unfortunately, the Notice of Appeal filed February 6, 2006, was not matched with the file. As a result, the Office mailed an Advisory Action on February 21, 2006, and a Notice of Abandonment on May 22, 2006.

A RCE, request for extension of time, terminal disclaimer, and amendment were timely filed September 6, 2006.

Petitioner has shown the application is not abandoned. The Notice of Abandonment is hereby vacated and the holding of abandonment withdrawn.

Technology Center Art Unit 1761 will be informed of the instant decision. Thereafter, the Technology Center's technical support staff will enter the papers filed September 6, 2006, and the application will be further examined in due course.

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